## REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE TECHNOLOGY CENTER 3700

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: SHAPE MEMORY ALLOY DISC REPLACEMENT DEVICE	§ § §	Confirmation No.: 7748

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## RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 14, 2007

## I. Introductory Comments

The present paper is being submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 14, 2007.

No fees, including extension of time fees, are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any fees, including extension of time fees, are necessary, the extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including those for the extension of time, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

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